

Five policemen hurt in clashes over Bnei Brak traffic

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BNEI BRAK. — Thirteen persons were arrested and five policemen were injured, two of them seriously, as a result of clashes on Rehov Hashomer over the Sabbath.

This street has been the scene of extreme tension between religious and secular residents the past three weeks as a result of its being closed to prevent travel on the Sabbath. Two weeks ago a young man was killed when his car smashed into a chain set up across the road to keep traffic from passing.

The policemen were injured over the weekend by either bottles or stones thrown at them by religious zealots. Despite extreme provocation, police behaved with restraint and only waded into the crowds with batons when objects were thrown at them or when people refused to remain on the sidewalks and not block Rehov Hashomer.

Although there were clashes between religious and secular groups, the fights were brief and quickly ended by the police. In one incident, on Friday just before the Sabbath, secular youths from Hashomer Hatzair marched down the street with red flags and placards protesting religious coercion. A fight broke out with religious residents and seven of the youths were arrested. They were released later that evening.

In another incident, secular youths threw stones at a "religious" house on the corner of Rehov Sharet, smashing some of its shutters. One man told The Jerusalem Post that during this incident his fur hat ("Shtramel") had been stolen off his head and that a new one would cost IL7,000.

Later, at about 9:30 p.m., religious and secular groups began gathering at Rehov Akiva. There was a brief clash and two "secularists" were arrested. They were also released later in the evening. After this, secular individuals dispersed, although a few remained nearby.

But the main confrontation this past Sabbath was between religious residents and the police. Throughout Friday evening and Saturday, religious residents gathered at the corner of Rehov Akiva and Rehov Hashomer. The crowd was in the hundreds, but the height of the confrontation with police at about midnight there were about 6,000 persons.

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There were few cars that travelled on Rehov Hashomer on Friday. Those that tried were shouted at by religious residents. Police managed to keep them back, but the crowd also called "shabbos" at police cars.

When newspaper photographers appeared on the scene, they were shouted at and threatened with having their cameras broken. A few pictures were taken and then photographers were taken into the police van and whisked to safety.

About 11:30, a policeman was injured in the arm by a bottle thrown from one of the buildings. Stones began to be thrown and this reporter narrowly missed being hit by a fist-size chunk of floor tile.

Throughout the evening Nitzav-Mishne Shlomo Haron of the Ramat Gan-Gush Dan precinct was on hand. As stones were thrown he occasionally had to yell at individual policemen to restrain them.

One of these men, who had come into the police van to smoke — there was no smoking allowed by the police in front of the religious demonstrators — said in bewilderment, "They throw stones at us, call us Nazis and we stand here."

Another policeman replied, "They say they are trying to prevent desecrating the Sabbath. Isn't throwing stones at Jewish policemen desecrating the Sabbath?"

At 12:30 a.m. Deputy Commander Haron ordered the people to return to their homes. Border Patrol units and policemen began moving into the crowds and pushing them away. By 1:00 a.m., most had returned to their homes.

Saturday began quietly enough. But a small fight broke out between religious and secular groups at 1:00 p.m. The police quickly stopped it.

Around two o'clock, a handicapped driver with his pregnant wife drove up to visit her parents on Rehov Sharet. Religious individuals began attacking the car. The woman was pushed and her hair pulled. Again police moved in to drive the religious back.

Later in the afternoon, large crowds of Orthodox residents began gathering at Akiva Hashomer intersection. The police strategy, like that of the previous night, was to prevent them from blocking the street.

At 7:15, two policemen were hurt, one seriously when either a stone or bottle hit him in the face. Police once again charged into the crowd in an attempt to disperse them.

Tel Aviv police chief Nitzav Moshe (Continued on page 2, col. 7)

U.S. to sell armoured bulldozers to Israel

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — The U.S. Defence Department notified Congress on Friday that it intends to sell to Israel armoured bulldozers worth an estimated \$14.6m. The sale will go ahead unless Congress disapproves of the sale within the next 30 days.

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Prime Minister and Mrs. Begin are welcomed at Kennedy Airport on Friday afternoon by New York Mayor Abraham Beame (right) and by Israel Ambassador to Washington Simcha Dinitz, behind the Premier wearing dark glasses.

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Begin optimistic on arrival in U.S.

By WOLF BLITZER
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Jerusalem Post Correspondents

NEW YORK. — Prime Minister Menachem Begin, who arrived Friday afternoon for talks with President Jimmy Carter in Washington on Tuesday and Wednesday, declared on landing that he has "detailed proposals for the framework of the peace-making process."

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Hotel in midtown Manhattan, predicted that his talks with the President would be successful. "Israel and the U.S. in truth are allies," he said. "I am hopeful that as a result of the meeting with the President, negotiations to conclude peace treaties between Israel and the Arab countries will start, and as a result, peace will reign in the Middle East."

Once again, Begin rejected the concept of an independent Palestinian state being established on the West Bank and Gaza Strip. "What you term a Palestinian state would mean a mortal danger to Israel; therefore such a state can never come into being. We want to live," he said in response to a reporter's question.

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Egyptian TV shows heckling Public criticism rattles Sadat

By ANAN SAFADI
Post-Mideast Affairs Editor

Egypt's Anwar Sadat yesterday faced some of the most humiliating moments in his seven-year presidential career when he was heckled, challenged and criticized while delivering a policy speech to the Central Committee of the Arab Socialist Union, which supervises the country's three newly established political parties. It was the first time Sadat has come under such a persistent attack in a semi-parliamentary session broadcast live over Cairo radio and TV networks.

Sadat was evidently caught by surprise. He stammered at times, and at others he burst in anger. Microphones were taken off his critics on occasion and at times the broadcast was cut off the air. Throughout the broadcast supporters and opponents were heard quarrelling in the background.

The unprecedented criticism focused on Sadat's disguised campaign against his predecessor, Gamal Abdel-Nasser, the man Egyptians will remember this week by marking the 25th anniversary of his revolution. Sadat has often sought to thwart Nasser's "two-stage" plan, he said, his opponents and the Soviets "were now wearing."

The uproar erupted when one Kamel Ahmed took the floor to blast Sadat for giving no credit to Nasser except for bringing the Soviets into the region. Declaring himself a "Nasserite," Ahmed charged Sadat with having replaced the Soviet influence with that of the West.

He also mocked Sadat for going along with "dear Henry Kissinger" dragging Egypt into "the quagmire of Sinai" under the 1975 interim settlement with Israel.

Ahmed was joined by other critics. And Sadat was soon engaged in a heckling match during which the Egyptian leader was accused of having diverted from "Nasserism."

What is Nasserism? Sadat asked angrily. He appeared to have lost his temper when his main critic told him that "it is strange that you of all people are asking such a question."

The critic lashed out at Sadat for discounting Nasser's era, which ended with his death in September 1970. He also criticized the Egyptian leader for intimating that Egypt had been freed from the Nasserist police state after Sadat took over. The man said that he did not know "where the hell a secret security force came

from" when the authorities suppressed last January's anti-government demonstrations protesting food price hikes.

"In contrast to what you say," Sadat said, "those demonstrations were an uprising of thieves, not a popular upheaval. They are like those thieves who took to the streets in New York during last week's blackout."

"No sir, they signalled a popular uprising," the man insisted. The argument indicates a mounting defiance to Sadat rather than a growing freedom of speech. Its impact might reflect Sadat's credibility. His status depends mainly on the armed forces, but even in the army there have been increased opposition cells composed chiefly of Nasserists and leftists.

The parliamentary episode was seen likely to be followed closely by Washington, which has been inclined to help Sadat consolidate his status through an acceleration in the Middle East process. President Jimmy Carter, who will host Premier Menachem Begin this week, has often served notice that stagnation in the region might stir political repercussions in Egypt and even the replacement of "moderate" Sadat by a radical successor similar to Nasser.

Meanwhile, Sadat yesterday spoke for the first time in terms of recognizing Israel as "one of the Middle East states," although reiterating his demand for an Israeli pullback to the pre-1967 war frontiers. But Sadat asserted that any peace treaty with Israel would "politically and legally mean the termination of the state of war," adding, "It would also mean that the existence of Israel, for the first time in its history, will be recognized legally."

At the same time Sadat renewed his attack on the Soviets, charging that the Kremlin continues to "follow a hardline policy" with regard to its requests for military spare parts and to rescheduling its debts.

Sadat claimed that he has recently rejected a Soviet demand for signing a new treaty in place of that which he abrogated unilaterally last year. He also claimed that the Kremlin has been serving "slightly disguised" ultimatums on him, noting that the Soviets have been "after him" ever since he took power in October

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Forecast: Rise in temperatures, humid on the coast.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Max
Jerusalem	51	18-29	31
Golan	35	18-32	34
Nahariya	74	20-31	35
Safed	42	20-29	32
Haifa Port	32	24-35	40
Tiberias	52	20-32	34
Nazareth	49	20-33	35
Shomron	34	20-29	31
Tel Aviv	71	22-31	34
E-G Airport	74	22-31	34
Jericho	34	22-35	40
Gaza	53	22-29	31
Beersheba	40	22-33	36
Eilat	14	25-40	42
Tiran Straits	21	18-38	40

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Outgoing German ambassador Per Fischer last week paid a farewell call on Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek.

Birth

ZVIELLI. — To Dina and David Zvielli, on Friday, July 15, at Ramat Hashanah Hospital, Haifa, a daughter, Tamar. Granddaughter to Stella and Moshe Diskin and Dana and Alexander Zvielli of Jerusalem.

Three dead on weekend roads

A 29-year-old German tourist was fatally injured yesterday in an accident on the Arava road. Angelica Reichart was injured when the car her husband was driving swerved from the road and overturned. She was flown to Ein Yavah for first aid and then rushed to the Beersheba hospital, but the doctors could not save her life. In another accident Asam Subhi, 10, was killed on his bicycle yesterday evening when a truck hit him at the junction at the entrance to the village of Mahar east of Acre. A girl was killed near Acre on Friday when she was hit by a pickup truck while crossing a road in the village of Yafit. Dalal Abu Hail was rushed to the government hospital in Nahariya but died several hours later. (Itim)

Ovations greet Israel Festival

By YOHANAN BOEHM, Post Music Editor. With a full-throated "Hallelu" sung by three choirs before the President and Mrs. Ephraim Katsir and a capacity audience, the 17th Israel Festival opened last night at Jerusalem's Binyamin Ha'oma. Carlo Maria Giulini then conducted Beethoven's "Egmont" Overture and the Ninth Symphony with soloists, the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and Choir, the Rubin Music Academy Choir, and the Zimri Choral of New York. The conductor and all participants were given a standing ovation at the end. This same programme will be repeated in Tel Aviv tomorrow and Tuesday night. Tonight, Beethoven's only opera, "Fidelio," will be given the first of five performances at the Roman theatre in Caesarea, with Israeli and international soloists, the Schomberg Jueneesee Musicales Choir of Vienna, and Zubin Mehta conducting the fully-staged production.

CRIME REPORT

A MAN ACCUSED of forcing his wife into prostitution for the past four years was arrested on Friday and remanded for 15 days by the Haifa Magistrate's Court. A POSTER at Ben-Gurion Airport, Aharon Mahasheh, 37, was sentenced to seven months imprisonment and fined IL4,000 in the Ramallah Magistrate's Court on Friday for stealing a passenger's handbag. A 17-YEAR-OLD girl was raped Thursday night in a backyard in the centre of Bat Yam. She was dragged there by a youth after she bought sunflower seeds in a shop near the Bat Yam Cinema. Police are investigating.

NY Jewish groups aid ruined shopkeepers

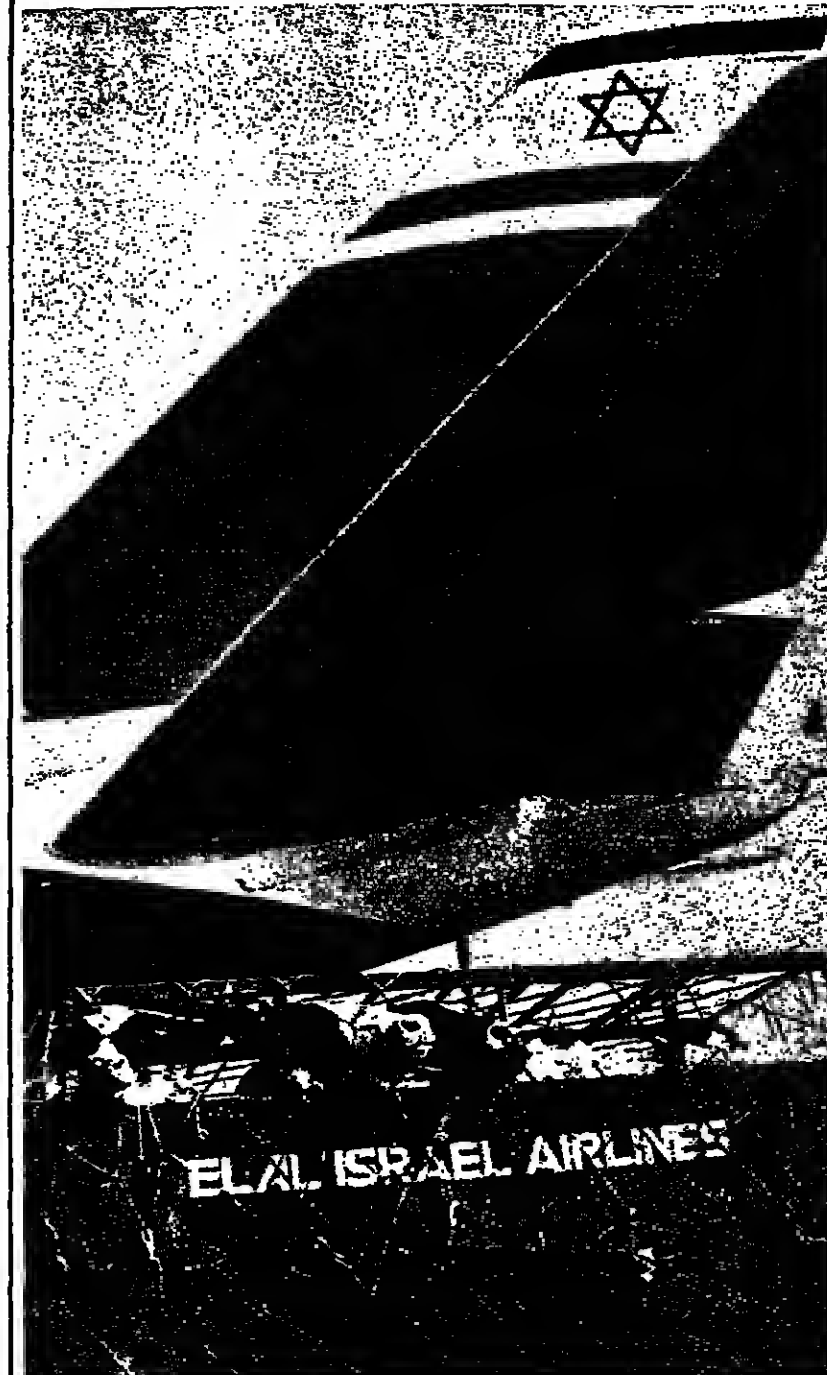
By MALKA RABINOWITZ, Jerusalem Post Correspondent. NEW YORK. — Surveying the wreckage of hundreds of small Jewish businesses in last week's blackout rampage of looting and arson, Jewish communal representatives will meet in emergency session on Tuesday to discuss immediate assistance for shopkeepers who were wiped out. Offers of loan aid have already come from the federal government's Small Business Administration, which on Friday conferred "disaster area" status on New York City and Westchester County. Losses estimated at over \$1b. followed the plundering of more than 2,000 enterprises, most of them small shops, in four of New York City's five boroughs — the Bronx, Queens, Brooklyn and Manhattan. Reluc-

Data shows charters don't hurt El Al

By SELOMO MAOZ, Jerusalem Post Reporter

According to updated figures assembled by the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism, the introduction of charter flights to Israel since November 1976 has not only not reduced regular flights to Israel, but has in fact augmented them. The data show that tourism from countries from which charter flights have been permitted has increased between 44 and 51 per cent, while that from countries where charter flights do not exist or are only partial has gone up within the range of 5 and 24 per cent. Ministry sources say that these data invalidate the arguments in El Al's annual report published last Wednesday, that the charter flights have drawn off traffic from their regular flights and thus reduced El Al's potential revenue. The Ministry's data show that the number of tourists arriving by regular flights from Scandinavia, Germany and the U.S. West Coast, where charter flights have been introduced, have gone up by 26, 11 and 7 per cent respectively — rates which are similar to and even greater than the rates of increase from countries where charter flights are not permitted. According to the World Air

Transport Statistics No. 21 for 1976, it appears that the net profits of all IATA airlines amounted to \$400m. in 1976, as against a loss of \$360m. in 1975. The collective profits of all world airlines, including those not affiliated with IATA, were \$800m. — the highest figure since 1967. While El Al showed a net profit of \$280,000 for 1976, on a revenue of \$237m. and total assets of \$226m., other airlines showed substantially higher profits. Thus, for example, Alia, the Jordanian airline, reported a net profit of \$567,000 on a turnover of \$71m., and Pakistan International earned \$3.2m. on a turnover of \$267m. Swissair, with a turnover of \$712m., or nearly 2.5 times that of El Al, reported profits of \$17.8m. According to Dr. Simcha Sa'adan of Tel Aviv University, the profits shown in El Al's financial statement are biased downwards as a result of changes in the company's accounting system. Government officials said Friday that the preliminary data show El Al may have restricted the flow of tourists to Israel by its opposition to charter flights, and that as a government-owned company, its primary task was not to maximise its profits but to increase tourism. These officials also pointed to the continued expansion of El Al, despite reportedly negligible profits.



These perplexed passengers are part of the group of 200 high-yielding milch cows in an advanced stage of pregnancy flown to Tehran yesterday on an El Al jumbo. (Israel Sun)

Avineri blasts Labour for 'opposition failure'

Prof. Shlomo Avineri yesterday lashed out at the Labour Party, under which he was director-general of the Foreign Ministry, saying that it was "trailing behind" the Likud in questions of foreign policy and failing to function as an opposition party. Speaking in an interview on Israel Radio's weekly newsreel, Avineri said that one of Prime Minister Menachem Begin's greatest achievements while he was opposition leader was in presenting a consistent stance against the policies of the Alignment government. The Alignment, Avineri said, has failed to follow Begin's example. Since Shimon Peres became leader of the opposition he has not made any major statement opposing the government's defence and foreign policy, he said. Peres' supposed failure was compared by Avineri to the reason for the Alignment's defeat in the elections. Labour also played into the hands of the Likud by allowing their

differences in foreign policy to be blurred in the elections campaign. Labour turned down Begin's offer to join a government of national unity, but Avineri said it appears that the Premier has achieved his aims since the Alignment "says amen" to all government statements without being a partner to power. Deploping Labour's "loss of purpose," Avineri said that the intra-party squabbles had not changed in character now that the party has lost power and become an opposition. After lambasting Labour for its failure to provide a strong, vociferous opposition, Avineri said he hoped — like all the rest of Israel — that Begin's talks with U.S. President Jimmy Carter would be successful. Saying that Begin's still-secret proposals to bring peace to the Middle East could not differ in principle from the Likud's election platform, Avineri expected this week's meetings to be preliminary talks in which the leaders would get to know each other. (Itim)

Begin in New York

(Continued from page 1) Ambassador Simcha Dinitz, standing immediately behind the Prime Minister at the airport, advised him not to answer the question. ("Ten N' la'ano!") ("Let me answer.") the Prime Minister returned. "He asked a question, and he'll have his answer." (The exchange was witnessed by Israel Television viewers last night. A short while later, a member of the New York consulate staff was heard saying to the assembled press, "That's all, gentlemen. Thank you." But the Prime Minister brushed this aside also, and went on to answer more questions.) Begin, who was greeted by New York Mayor Abraham Beame at the airport, said "Israel is an integral part of the free world and is doing not a little for the national security of the U.S. We are not a problem for the U.S. We are an ally of the U.S. We believe there is a deep friendship between Israel and the U.S." He once again expressed Israel's readiness to attend the Geneva conference in October. Begin was the guest of honour at a Friday evening dinner at the Waldorf hosted by UN Ambassador Chaim Herzog. Mrs. Begin did not attend because she was tired after the flight. The Prime Minister looked tired.

Organizations. Next Friday, after he returns here from Washington, he will have an expanded meeting with the conference. While Begin was unwilling to talk about the specifics of his "complete peace plan," Senator Jacob Javits (R-NY), just back from talking to Begin in Israel, indicated on Friday that the Prime Minister might be more flexible on the issue of the West Bank than anticipated. Meeting with reporters here, Javits said the Sinai and the Golan Heights had receded in importance as potential stumbling blocks. The issue has boiled down to the West Bank, he said. The Senator, one of Israel's best friends in Congress, was quoted by yesterday's "Washington Star" as having said that Begin does not have "an absolutely frozen position on the West Bank." Javits indicated that some kind of territorial concession might be possible on the West Bank, but that any arrangement must have the element of time in it. Peace and the continued existence of Israel over a period of some time would have to be involved in any concessions, he said. "They will yield something of space if they can get something of time," Javits said. According to the "Star," Javits, when asked about Begin's "historic" reply that one "can't limit the existence of a lifetime." The senator said of Begin that he's "tough, he's inflexible...a real Old Testament character." But Javits added that Begin's personal traits of inflexibility will be moderated by the fact that he heads a government and a people whose sentiments he must take into account.

Woman immigrant, 46, gets six years for series of frauds and forgeries

A new immigrant woman, who committed many cases of fraud and forgery which netted her some IL8,000, was sentenced on Friday in Jerusalem District Court to six years in prison and given an additional three years suspended sentence. Arian Pasker, 46, was found guilty in eight different cases of convincing parents that she could get their children into Eastern European medical or engineering schools on scholarship and having received a sizeable fee for her fraudulent offer. In another instance, Pasker presented herself as a researcher in need of funds to a Jerusalem Institute. She showed a forged docu-

ment allegedly signed by Jewish Agency Treasurer Aryeh Dukin which said that she held money in foreign currency accounts. On the basis of this document she received some IL6,000 in "research aid" from the institute. She had also claimed to be the national supervisor for hospitals for the mentally ill and received "donations" from shopkeepers and cab drivers. In court, the woman admitted to all of the charges against her. Her lawyer pleaded for leniency on the grounds that her marriage to an Arab man had ended unhappily, that she had difficulties in keeping a job and was in financial straits.

Feminists fined for protest

TEL AVIV. — Four members of the Israeli Feminist Movement were fined IL200 each and given a 14-day suspended sentence in the Magistrate's Court here last week for participating in an illegal demonstration against former Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin in October 1975. The four women, Ruth Reznick, Rivka Rosenberg, Miriam Tsur and Esther Eliaz, had taken part in a demonstration staged as a mock funeral for Rabin's "dead" promise to get a basic law on equal rights for men and women passed in the Knesset. "As soon as the National Religious Party joined the coalition Rabin said he wouldn't keep his promise," a spokeswoman for the feminists said. Ruth Reznick and Rivka Rosenberg were found not guilty of assaulting police officers during the demonstration. A fifth defendant, Ella Nahman, told the court that she was at the demonstration as a reporter and not as a demonstrator — and received a IL200 fine. Judge Haim Simcha Nahman said he had considered the fact that the women had been motivated by a sense of justice and that this police

had approved the demonstration in principle but had given a permit for it to take place opposite the town hall. "We had nothing against the municipality," one of the feminists said. "Our grievance was with the Labour Party and that's why we demonstrated on Hayarkon Street outside party headquarters."

1,000 YOUNG emissaries of the Lubavitcher Rebbe in Brooklyn left last week for two-month missions around the world to spread Jewish observance. The Hasidim will distribute Sabbath necessities, prayer books, religious articles and informational material among Jews on five continents.

Four or five years ago it was fairly difficult for a Gazan to obtain a permit from the Jordan government to cross the bridge. He would have to get a message to family or friends in Amman, who would have to obtain a permit for him and somehow try to get it back into the Strip. Today things are quite a bit easier — thanks to Gaza Mayor Rashad Shawwa. Using his contacts in Amman, he received permission to act as the agent of the Jordan government here and grant travel permits. Local residents must pay a IL2,000 deposit and a IL40 fee which covers administrative costs and salaries. A one-month permit is issued, and if the Gazan wants to stay longer, he

Dayan rebukes envoy for saying gov't won't last

Post Diplomatic Correspondent. The director-general of the Foreign Ministry, Ephraim Evron, on Friday reprimanded the ambassador in London, Avraham Kidron, for telling newsmen there that Premier Menachem Begin's government would be short-lived. Evron was acting on instructions from Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan who is reported to have rejected an earlier explanation on the issue by Kidron. A highly-placed official last night denied reports that Dayan planned either to recall Kidron or transfer him. The reports were attributed to sources in the entourage of Premier Begin, now in the U.S.

Vietnamese saved — 'for Israel'

RIO DE JANEIRO (AFP). — Another 81 Vietnamese fleeing Communism by sea will join the 66 given refuge by Israel last month. If the owners of the Brazilian ship that picked up the new group have their way. According to the Rio paper "O Globo," the Brazilian ship Pote Santos picked up the 81 — 34 children, 25 women and 22 men — in the South China Sea on Thursday. The captain radioed that he lacked facilities to keep them on board for long, the owners then asked the Brazilian foreign ministry to appeal to Israel to take the refugees. Last month the Israeli freighter Yuvali picked up 66 Vietnamese refugees whose boat had deliberately been passed over by three other ships. As in the case of the Pote Santos refugees, the neighbouring Southeast Asian countries had refused to give them sanctuary. In the end they were flown to Israel, where they are now housed at an absorption centre in Ofakim. The Brazilian captain said most of his refugees are ill.

Probe into Eban's fund-raising

Jerusalem Post Staff. The police are investigating the possibility that Abba Eban had deposited a \$20,000 contribution from the U.S. to an Israeli organization in his personal account and transferred it to its proper destination only after some time, the police spokesman confirmed on Friday. In a terse statement, the spokesman said that Nitzav Mishin Zvi-El, the police resident representative in New York, had been asked to check a number of additional testimonies concerning Mr. Eban's financial activities in the U.S. The representative had been asked, *inter alia*, if contribution funds had been deposited in Eban's account, the statement said.

Bather hurt by sailboat

Jerusalem Post Staff. HAIFA. — A sailboat struck a bather in Haifa's Quiet Beach yesterday, injuring him slightly. The swimmer, Michael Schmitzer, was released after medical treatment, and the operator of the sailboat was freed on bail after coastal police charged him with violating port regulations which forbid sailing within 300 metres of a bathing beach.

Travel to Jordan eased for Gazans

By ZVI ARENSTEIN, Jerusalem Post Reporter. GAZA. — Approximately 100 people a day receive permission here to cross into Jordan, according to Abba Eban Shawwa, director of the Benevolence Society for the Relief of Gaza Strip Inhabitants. "The sole purpose of our society is to enable Gaza Strip residents to travel freely in other Arab countries and to be in contact with the people who live there," Shawwa told The Jerusalem Post recently. Four or five years ago it was fairly difficult for a Gazan to obtain a permit from the Jordan government to cross the bridge. He would have to get a message to family or friends in Amman, who would have to obtain a permit for him and somehow try to get it back into the Strip. Today things are quite a bit easier — thanks to Gaza Mayor Rashad Shawwa. Using his contacts in Amman, he received permission to act as the agent of the Jordan government here and grant travel permits. Local residents must pay a IL2,000 deposit and a IL40 fee which covers administrative costs and salaries. A one-month permit is issued, and if the Gazan wants to stay longer, he



A Gaza woman shows off her permit to travel to Jordan. (Arenstein)

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Funeral today for Bar-Rav-Hay

Former Knesset Member and legal expert David Bar-Rav-Hay, who died on Friday at the age of 83, will be buried at 11 this morning at the Old Cemetery at Hot Hacarmel, Haifa. Born in the Ukraine, Bar-Rav-Hay came to Eretz Israel in 1924 after serving prison sentences for Zionist activities in Russia. He was appointed secretary of Hapoel Hatzair, worked for the Jewish National Fund, and was a member of the Va'ad Leumi from 1932 to 1948. A member of the Mapai Central Committee, he was elected to the First Knesset and served through the Fifth. He concentrated on electoral and constitutional matters, and, until infirmities in recent years restricted him, he was a prolific contributor to periodicals on law. Bar-Rav-Hay is survived by his widow Shulamit, their son Meir, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. (A.Z.)

Bnei Brak

(Continued from page one) Tiomkin began yelling at Rav Yitzhak Meir, one of Bnei Brak's deputy mayors. "You throw stones at the police? What are we, dogs?" Later, when an Orthodox resident began protesting that the police presence was creating tension and provoking clashes, Tiomkin replied, "I came to keep the peace, not to make war." At 7:20, just before the Sabbath was to end, television crews began filming. They were ordered away by police. But a few minutes later, after the Sabbath ended, they returned. Their presence added fuel to the fire. Agitated, and frequently hysterical, religious zealots began throwing stones and bottles again. The police charged in, occasionally whacking a person's behind or legs. But, as was the case Friday evening, the religious again regrouped and returned to Rehov Hashomer. In one confrontation two young brothers, David and Aron Zilberberg, were arrested by the police for throwing stones. The father, Zalman, tried to free his sons from police hands. At one point, he yelled at Nitzav Tiomkin, "The police are traitors." Tiomkin was too taken aback at this charge to offer a reply. The tension continued until late in the evening with tries by the police to disperse the religious. After each such attempt, individuals would return and frequently seek out newsmen. In one case, Yitzhak Oren charged that he had been praying in a nearby synagogue when police went in and began hitting the windows with stones. Oren claimed that not only had the police beaten him, but shouted "dirty Jew" at him. In other cases religious residents blamed the police for the disturbances this weekend, claiming that if they had not been present then nothing would have happened. Aguda MK Shlomo Gross last night asked the Knesset Speaker to hold an urgent debate on his allegation that the police concentrated their efforts against the orthodox elements.

Protest on women's retirement age

Jerusalem Post Reporter. TEL AVIV. — Women should have the right to continue working after age 60 if they wish, Aliza Tamir, head of the Histadrut Trade Union Department's Working Women's Section, said last week. She said this in a discussion of plans to make retirement of women mandatory at 60.

Today, women may retire at 60, but Tamir pointed out that many continue working if their employers allow them. One reason for this is that many have not worked 35 years by age 60 and therefore do not have full pension rights. The retirement age for men is 65.

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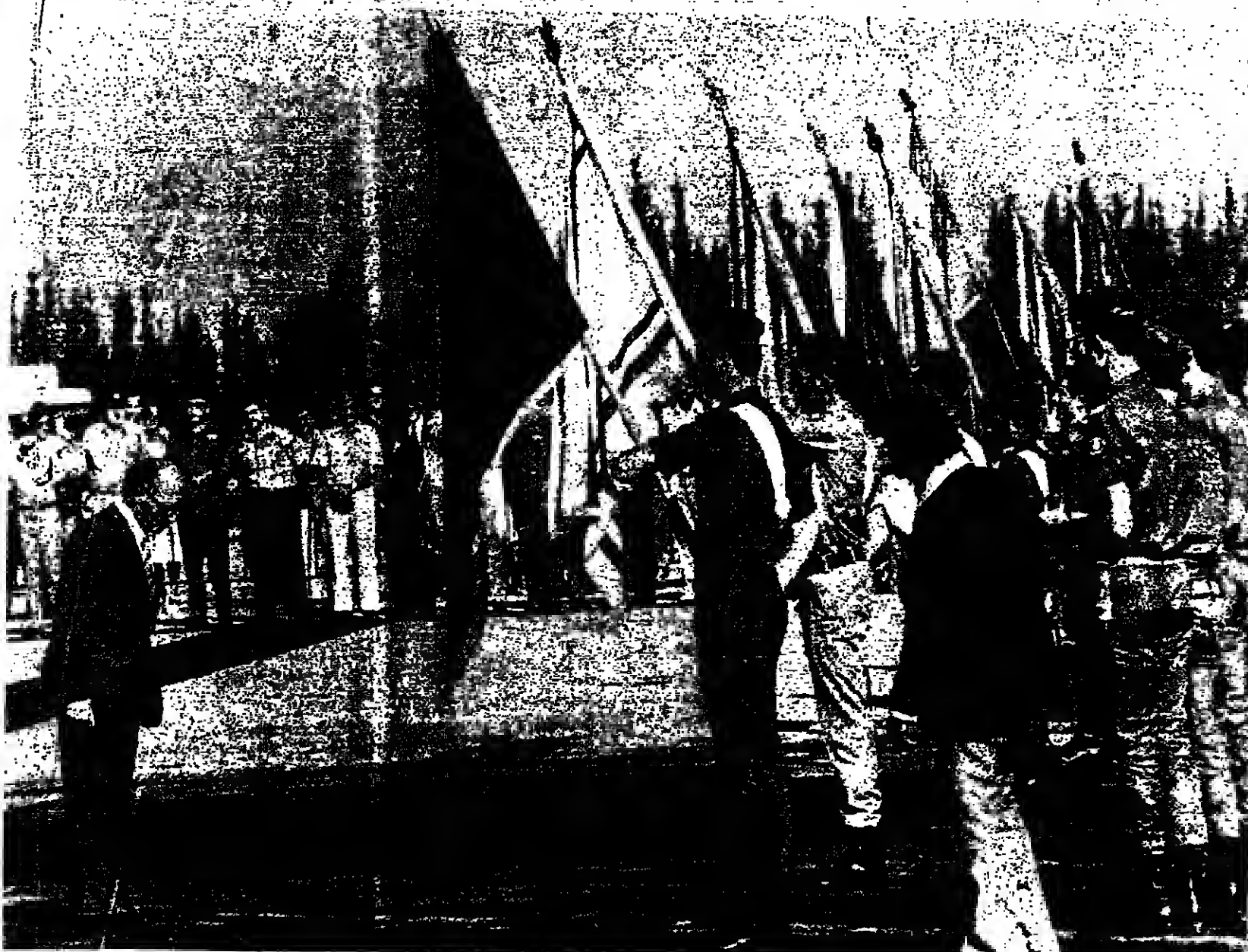
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SHIFRA EFRAIM



Prime Minister Begin bows before the army guard of honour at Ben-Gurion Airport before boarding the El Al plane which took him to New York on Friday.

Drum rolls and red carpet as Begin departs for U.S.

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — To the roll of drums, Prime Minister Menachem Begin reviewed a guard of army cadet officers along the red carpet on the tarmac before boarding the El Al plane which took him to New York on Friday.

In the first state ceremony for a departing Prime Minister since the custom was discontinued five years ago by Golda Meir, Begin was seen off by the entire cabinet, the diplomatic corps, senior army personnel and other officials. The ceremony emphasized the serious purpose which Begin attributed to his journey in a speech before departure.

"I'm leaving for the shores of America with a good hope in my heart, I'm bearing concrete proposals for the peace-making process. Let word go out that the people of Israel want peace. We are yearning and praying for peace," he said.

"We do not threaten any of our neighbours," Begin said and added, "Yesterday, (Thursday) we heard threats of war from President Sadat. I suggest to President Sadat he should desist and cease from issuing such threats. Our people are not known for lack of courage. We will not surrender to threats. We are capable of defending ourselves and repelling aggression but we hope that peace will come very soon."

Begin's "concrete proposals" for Middle East Peace were said to include Israeli willingness to concede large tracts of the Sinai and Golan Heights and "some arrangements" for the West Bank in return for full peace with all of Israel's neighbours.

Begin begged off giving any specific details of his proposals, saying as he had all last week that he wanted

President Jimmy Carter to hear them first. The proposals were thought by western diplomats to have been made up largely by Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan.

After his airport statement to reporters, Begin walked along the red carpet with Mrs. Aliza Begin on his arm to the jumbo El Al aircraft which took him to New York on a regular scheduled flight.

Begin left the red carpet and paused for a moment to bow in the direction of the 60 cadet officers who formed the honour guard. As he passed along the line of the diplomatic corps Begin met U.S. ambassador Samuel Lewis who was in his usual telex attire. "I am a European but look at you Americans," said a smiling Begin, who left for his U.S. trip neatly dressed in a blue suit, white shirt and a blue-patterned tie.

Lewis smiled and said, "Take my advice and take it off on the plane. It's more comfortable."

After parting from the Knesset members, ministers and other public figures who were waiting in line, Begin walked towards his daughter Lea who was on the tarmac in her uniform as an El Al ground stewardess, kissed her and then parted from his daughter Hania and her children.

The army band played *HaTikva* and Begin then boarded the plane where he was greeted by Mordechai Ben-Ari, the director-general of El Al who left for the U.S. on the same flight.

U.S. ambassador Lewis also left for the U.S. on Friday on a later TWA flight. Lewis — who will take part in some of Begin's talks in the U.S. — said before leaving that both Carter and Begin have devoted much planning for the talks and that he believes they will be "very fruitful."

Parties' sins leave Haifa sizzling

HAIFA. — The town hall is literally visiting the sins of the parties on the citizens of Haifa.

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Meanwhile, unfortunate citizens using the bus service are left to sizzle in the heat, despairing not only of the pre-election promises on the walls by the parties, but of their city hall, too.

Egged says Haifa bus foul-ups 'temporary'

HAIFA. — The local Egged spokesman, Alia Alimor, on Friday

spoke that the cooperative had reduced the number of buses serving the city since the start of the school holidays. However, he told *The Jerusalem Post* that Egged and City Hall had received more complaints than usual about poor service the past several weeks, attributing this to some "temporary difficulties."

Alimor was asked to comment on last week's debate on the bus service in the City Council, where deputy mayor Yosef Blaustein warned that City Hall would take action unless the service is improved, at least to its former state.

The spokesman said the "difficulties" had been caused by several developments. For one

thing, the army used a large number of buses and drivers one day last week. For another, the arrival of many tourist ships necessitated diverting a large number of buses to serve the passengers.

City Hall had not acceded to Egged's request to adapt opening and closing times of summer camps so as not to interfere with rush hour bus traffic, nor to its proposal that some children be transported in passenger-trucks.

The changes that had been introduced in a number of bus routes last week "disrupted" passenger travelling "habits" for a few days, but the public are by now used to the changes, Alimor said.

Finally, he stressed that Egged services appeared less frequent, due to the "virtually continuous" traffic jams in the main streets.

Haifa Police Chief Nissim Mishne last week told *The Post* that the flow of traffic had eased in the city, thanks to the police drive against illegal parking of cars where they interfere with traffic. He noted that his constables were continuing the campaign, issuing 500 to 600 parking tickets daily for a total of some IL50,000 in fines a day.

Energy expert advises showdown with Opec

By AARON SITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The West faces economic calamity within ten years unless it cracks down on Opec — the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, Fred Schulman, head of the Trade-Energy Information Centre, believes.

The centre, in Silver Spring, Maryland (near Washington D.C.), is a "think tank" that acts as energy consultant to power utilities, banks and government agencies.

In an interview with *The Jerusalem Post*, Schulman said: "In 1978, a barrel of oil cost the same as a bushel of wheat. Today, a barrel of oil costs five times as much, only because Opec governments with American oil company backing — want it that way."

"We are heading for a major calamity in a decade unless we put a stop to this. The first nations to suffer will be the weak ones, like Israel," a U.S. Navy veteran and nuclear engineer, Dr. Schulman was chief of the nuclear systems programme at NABA and coordinator of power and population systems for the U.S. Navy's Chief of Naval Operations (Development).

President Jimmy Carter's new energy programme will not solve America's energy problem, Schulman claims. "Conservation of fuel and a crash research-and-development programme for new energy sources are fine. But world inflation is being pushed so far and so fast by Opec, that every increase in the price of crude automatically raises the price of gas, coal and all other energy materials."

To put the brakes on Opec, says Schulman, the U.S. and other nations must confront Opec and say bluntly: no more arms, food or technology until you bring oil prices down again to their economic value. Schulman adds: "The United States, which consumes 17,800,000 barrels of oil a day, should establish a petroleum import authority. This would place matters on government-to-government basis rather than leave the field wide open to the oil companies."

Restraining the giant oil corporations and their powerful Congressional lobby would have a

major effect in bringing oil prices down, Schulman points out. "It seems incredible," he says, "but American taxpayers are virtually subsidizing oil-rich Opec by \$18 h. How? By allowing the Internal Revenue Service to grant huge tax credits to American oil companies operating in Opec countries."

Tax credits are not available for domestic oil. As a result, the firms prefer to drill abroad instead of exploring at home. "Believe it or not, three to four million jobs are being lost in American industry as a result, with a drop of \$75,000m. in the U.S. Gross National Product this year alone."

Workshop on social research techniques

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Ten social researchers from Spain, Ireland, Switzerland and West Germany this week will join their counterparts here in a working group on values and social problem indicators.

The workshop, hosted by the Israel Institute for Applied Social Research, is being held in cooperation with the European Science Foundation. It will take place at the Shorash Hotel outside Jerusalem.

The Europeans came to learn social research techniques that have been developed at the Institute. Prof. Louis Gutman, director of the institute, said that he and his colleagues have begun to establish "laws" of social behaviour.

Container ship launched amid workers' protest

HAIFA. — A new container ship, the third of a series of four built in the Israel Shipyard here, was launched on Friday morning. The ship, which was bought by the Tarashah shipping company of the Kibbutz Menhad movement, was named *Palmah 2* by Mrs. Hadas Shupakewitz, of Kibbutz Beit Hashita, who served in the kibbutz fleet for several years.

The launching ceremony was marred by shouts of derision from the yard workers during the speech of general manager Yisrael Libertowski. The workers' committee had refused to take part in the ceremony, claiming that Libertowski had called them "terrorists," and protesting the "bad relations" with the manager. They put up posters on the hull of the ship, explaining their case before the ceremony started.

Libertowski denied having called them "terrorists" during the many disputes between them, mainly over wages issues. A management spokesman said the workers were angry because management had refused to pay an estimated IL500,000 for a four-day outing the committee had arranged for the workers.

The four container ships were ordered by Zim, but the *Palmah 2* was transferred to the Tarashah company by Zim. The ships are fitted to carry 9,000 tons of cargo in 400 containers of 20 feet each, at a speed of 18 knots. The first ship cost \$7.5m., and the *Palmah 2*, to be completed within a year, will cost \$14.5m.

Speakers at the ceremony included Yoram Aridor, representing the Government.

Farmers' group denies firing of director was 'political'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Yaacov Salzman, director-general of the Farmers' Association, was fired last week by the decision of its executive council with only the chairman of the association, Aharon Frank, voting against his dismissal.

Salzman, formerly the deputy director-general of the Treasury, is a member of the Labour Party. However, the allegation that the dismissal was political was denied in a communiqué to the press by Yitzhak Ziv-Av, chairman of the association's central committee, and Aric Shikov, deputy chairman of its

executive. "The association is a non-political body, its members are affiliated to different political bodies and we knew Salzman's political association when we hired him," they said, adding that the cause of dismissal is "incompatibility of views" on how the association should be run. "We are a group of independent persons, not functionaries in a government corporation," a source in the Farmers' Association told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

Salzman was not available for comment.

Defector held on return from Iraq

Yosef Nawi, the Kiryat Ata resident who spent the last year broadcasting anti-Israel propaganda on Radio Baghdad, returned last week and was immediately arrested on his arrival at Ben-Gurion airport.

Nawi arrived at the airport at midnight Tuesday with his wife and two daughters, aged 15 and 10, whom he had taken with him to Iraq. He is being held on suspicion of giving classified information to the enemy and cooperating with them. Iraq and Israel are officially at war.

Police did not arrest Nawi's wife and girls. Nawi disappeared mysteriously from his home in Kiryat Ata a year ago. After he was identified on Iraq Radio and started to broadcast propaganda programmes, he was placed on the police wanted list. Recently, he turned up at the Israel embassy in Copenhagen, asking for permission to return. He was provided with travel papers.

Former neighbours of the family in Kiryat Ata recalled yesterday that Nawi — who owned a clothing shop in the Haifa suburb — was always grumbling and talking about his desire to return to Iraq from which he emigrated in 1951.

Ostrowsky to lead mixed orchestra in South Africa

By JOE KUTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

JOHANNESBURG. — Visiting Israeli conductor Avi Ostrowsky will have the distinction of conducting the first racially mixed symphony orchestra ever officially sanctioned by the South African government. And its final concert at the end of this month will be given — of all places — at the Rand Afrikaans University.

The group of African, Indian and coloured musicians will be participating with their white colleagues in a 100-member symphony orchestra which will be taking part in one of a series of advanced orchestral music training courses. These, held under the auspices of the South African Society of Music Teachers, were initiated by the late Betty Pack, who, just before her death, led a South African youth orchestra on a tour of Israel.

Permission for the Africans, Indians and coloured musicians in participating in the course alongside white musicians had to be obtained from the government departments of education, coloured affairs, Indian affairs, and Bantu administration. As part of the course they will be giving a series of public concerts — and the final concert at the Rand Afrikaans University will constitute a memorial tribute to Betty Pack.

DAMAGE estimated at half-a-million pounds was caused by an early morning electrical fire at the large furniture-electric appliance store Salon 2,000 in Haifa's Rehov Hanev'im on Friday.



A policeman stands near the car that was damaged by an explosion near Jerusalem's Old City New Gate on Friday night.

Car damaged in Jerusalem blast

An explosive charge set off in Jerusalem's Zabal Square near the Old City's New Gate damaged a car on Friday night, but did not injure any of its passengers who were waiting in the car for the traffic lights to change at the square.

Police and security forces who arrived on the scene minutes after the blast at 7:45 p.m. immediately cordoned off the area. A police sapper who examined the remains of

the charge found that not all the explosive material had been ignited in the first blast. He placed an explosive charge of his own on the remains of the bomb which was safely set off. He later said that the device had first been exploded with a timing mechanism.

Traffic through the square was resumed after about half an hour. No arrests were made as of yesterday.

Ilan Tehila new military secretary

Sgan Aluf Ilan Tehila took over on Friday as military secretary to the Defence Minister, the army spokesman reported over the weekend. He replaces Tat Aluf Arye Baron, who is going on study-leave. Born in Jerusalem in 1940, Sgan

Aluf Tehila joined the army in 1962, serving first as platoon and company commander and then in various intelligence posts. From April 1974 he was adjutant to the Defence Minister.

A graduate of the Hebrew University, Tehila also holds an M.A. in Middle East studies from the University of Indiana.

NEARLY 100,000 people visited the Shitot Hayotzer arts and crafts exhibition in the Capital the past 10 days. The exhibit, held outside of Jaffa Gate, closed last night.

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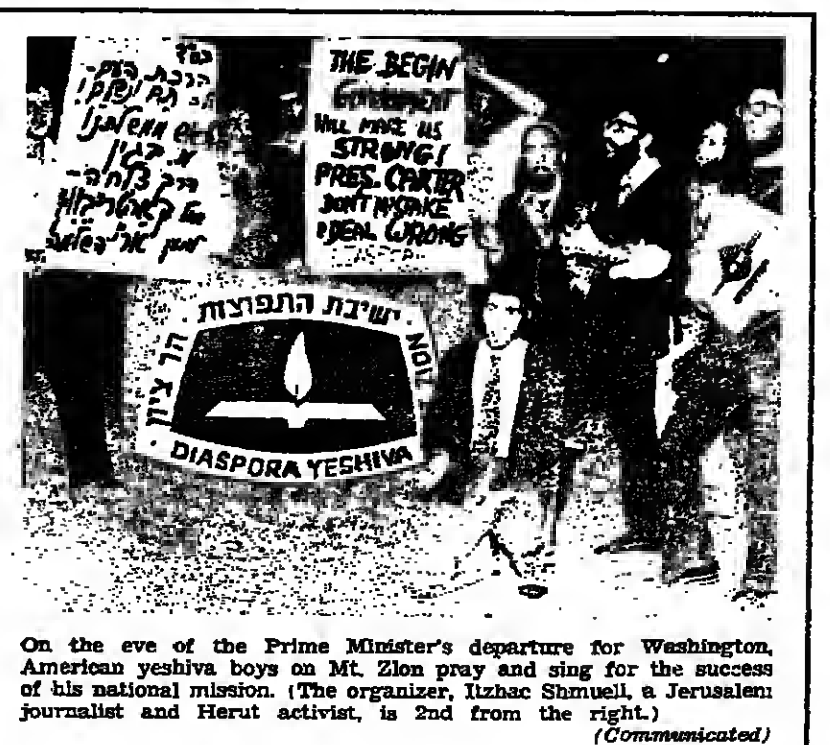
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New York's blackout may cost over \$1b.

NEW YORK. — The Federal Small Business Administration has declared New York City and surrounding Westchester County disaster areas, as the cost of last week's power blackout climbed toward \$1b.

Power was completely restored to the area 25 hours after the Wednesday night blackout, which was followed by an orgy of looting and arson that some observers called a "night of the animals."

The SBA action on Friday brought some relief to shopkeepers, who can now apply for long-term, low-interest loans of up to \$500,000. But New York State Governor Hugh Carey wanted more and sent a telegram to President Jimmy Carter asking for additional federal assistance.

As the city returned to normal, municipal and federal investigators got under way to determine what could be done to prevent future power outages.

Ten million persons in and near New York were plunged into darkness on Wednesday night after lightning struck a power transmission line, triggering the blackout and prompting a spree of looting and arson. It was 25 hours before power was completely restored.

About 3,500 persons were arrested Wednesday night and throughout the day Thursday on charges stemming from looting, which was confined mostly to low income areas.

The damage total from the looting, fires and the loss of food that spoiled in warming refrigerators, coupled with the loss of sales and tax revenue suffered by business, industry and government, was expected to exceed \$1b.

A board of inquiry formed by Mayor Abraham Beame began its investigation, while Carey ordered the state power authority to join the task force established by the Public Service Commission to analyze the blackout.

Meanwhile, some statistics arising from the blackout have been gathered:

- 3,481 persons arrested, primarily for looting.
- 14 inmates in the Bronx House of Detention rioted and tried to escape.
- Eight inmates at Riker's Island escaped, but two were recaptured.
- 26 firemen injured fighting fires, including four seriously.
- Fire department reported that from 10 p.m. Wednesday until 10 p.m. Thursday, 2,372 fire alarms were pulled, including 900 actual fires, 56 of which were considered major blazes.
- 3,800 sanitation workers patrolled the looted areas to clean up the debris.
- Approximately 20,000 passengers caught in subway tunnels were led out to safety while others rode into stations on residual power.
- 4,000 persons were stranded on 12 Long Island railroad trains for 4½ hours.
- 32 planes were diverted from Kennedy and La Guardia airports during the late hours Wednesday.

In Moscow, the Soviet news agency Tass said on Friday the blackout "demonstrated how little the American monopolies serve the interests of Americans." Tass contended that "the (power) company's chasing of profits has been transformed into a tragedy for millions of New Yorkers." (AP, UPI)

Moscow fall kills American

MOSCOW (UPI). — A 25-year-old American tourist plunged to his death through the 11th floor window of the Intourist Hotel, Soviet and American officials said yesterday.

Authorities at Botkin Hospital identified the victim as Jacob John Yates. Circumstances of the incident were unclear and Soviet police are investigating.

Yates was travelling with his elderly grandfather on a group tour organized by a New York travel agency. He had remained in his

room Friday evening when other members of the tour went out saying that he was ill.

An eyewitness said Yates was barefoot and wearing pajamas when he fell in front of the hotel on busy Gorky Street, bringing shards of glass with him as he fell.

The Intourist Hotel, which caters to foreign tourists and businessmen, is located in the centre of Moscow, around the corner from Revolution Square.



Brooklyn's Flatbush Ave. shows a scene of desolation after a night of looting during the New York power failure. Police said more than 2,000 people were arrested during the night. (AP Radiophoto)

Chinese cite ancestors in USSR frontier dispute

HONGKONG (UPI). — Relics dating back more than 2,000 years are being cited by China as evidence supporting its claim to disputed territory along the Sino-Soviet border.

Archaeological sites excavated during the past few years have contained many relics which "provide ample evidence" that people who lived in the Heilong River basin had close connections "with what now is Honan Province in central China," the New China news agency said in an article transmitted yesterday.

The Heilong river is called the Amur river by the Russians. The article argued that the "distinctive national characteristics of these sites and relics" prove that the basin, located in northeast China (Manchuria) and adjacent Soviet territory, "has been an integral part of our great motherland since ancient times."

"These discoveries give the lie to the inventions of Soviet scribes that the Chin dynasty was an independent country" and that the Heilong river basin "has always belonged to Russia," the news agency said.

Archaeological surveys have discovered 205 sites of primitive society, 57 ancient city sites and 53 ancient cemeteries.

More than 1.5 million square kilometres of territory, most of it in Siberia and the Soviet maritime provinces, is involved in the Sino-Soviet dispute.

Negotiations aimed at settling this issue and other problems along the 3,000-km border have been under way since October 1969. These on-again off-again talks in Peking have been fruitless, according to diplomatic sources in the Chinese capital.

U.S. to admit 15,000 Indochina refugees

WASHINGTON (UPI). — President Carter decided on Friday to admit 15,000 more South Vietnamese, Laotian and Cambodian refugees into the U.S. He has directed the secretary of state to facilitate their entry into the country.

The refugees will include 7,000 who have been living aboard the boats in which they fled their native countries. More than 80,000 refugees are

stranded in Thailand and other Indochinese ports.

Sources said Attorney General Griffin Bell will be instructed to use his "emergency parole authority" to admit the 15,000 through 1978.

State Department officials said top priority will be given to the so-called "boat people," who have been refused entry into Malaysia, Thailand and other Indochinese nations.

Egypt may execute apostates

CAIRO (UPI). — Egyptian Moslems who renounce their religion either by mocking the prophet Mohammed and the Koran or by embracing another religion will be punished by death unless they "repent" within 30 days, according to a new bill drafted by the Justice Ministry in Cairo.

Jolted by a resurgence of Moslem religious sentiment, the government is moving slowly but quietly to enforce Islamic law, which provides stiff punishment for thieves, adulterers and drunkards, as well as for religious renegades.

The Justice Ministry has drafted four bills, and work is continuing on other laws, designed to convert the country from secular to theocratic law.

But the draft bills will have to be approved first by the cabinet, and then by the 380-man parliament before they take effect.

In addition to the bill calling for the death penalty, other bills:

- Ban "usury" in dealings between individuals as well as between individuals and banks;
- Order the amputation of the right hand of thieves. If the theft is repeated, the left leg of the culprit is to be cut off;
- Order 80 lashes in a public place for a person who falsely accuses another of committing adultery.

Dutch won't charge war crimes suspect

AMSTERDAM (JTA). — A Dutch Justice Ministry team has failed to find sufficient evidence to charge suspected Nazi war criminal Johan van Tilburg since all the first-hand witnesses to his alleged crimes are no longer alive.

The demand to charge van Tilburg — for the last 12 years a resident of Pretoria, South Africa — came after he bequeathed his art collection, valued at \$1.5m., to the University of Pretoria. After the bequest was revealed, the London "Times" and the South African "Star" published the allegations of former Dutch resistance members who said that the art objects belonged to wealthy Dutch Jews who had entrusted the collections to van Tilburg's care during World War II. After this collections were handed over to him van Tilburg allegedly betrayed the Jews to the Nazis who deported them to death camps.

When the allegations were published the Dutch Justice Minister formed a special team to find if charges could be pressed against van Tilburg.

Neo-Nazis bomb Jewish lawyers' office in Paris

PARIS. — Neo-Nazis set off a bomb outside the Paris office of three lawyers who work for a Jewish organization, causing damage but not casualties, police said yesterday.

The blast occurred on Thursday night, one year after former SS Colonel Joachim Peiper was burned to death in eastern France by former resistance fighters who firebombed his home.

The Paris bombing was accompanied by the slogan "Peiper Ein Jahr" — Peiper one year — scrawled in blue felt marker on the wall of the office's entrance.

The lawyers work for the Movement Against Racism and Anti-Semitism and for Peace, which has been attacked nine times by Peiper supporters since his death.

In another incident in Athens, an explosive device on Friday destroyed the entrance of an open-air cinema and caused damage to its installations, police said.

The cinema was to show "Raid on Entebbe." (AP, UPI)

Swedes hold 'brains' of Japan's 'Red Army'

STOCKHOLM (Reuter). — Swedish police said on Friday they hoped soon to establish beyond doubt the identity of a Japanese under investigation here on suspicion of being the "brains" behind the Japanese Red Army terrorist movement.

They said the man — identified by Tokyo authorities as Takemoto Takahashi, a former university professor — was detained last Tuesday outside Stockholm near the suburb where the oil ministers from the 12 OPEC member states were meeting.

Police had suspected terrorists were planning some action against the ministers. In 1975 terrorists, headed by the elusive Carlos abducted 10 ministers from an OPEC conference in Vienna.

Officials here said Tokyo police wanted the man returned to Japan but they had so far not received a formal request for his extradition. The man had travelled on a forged Dutch passport but was refusing to answer questions about his identity or his reason for being in Sweden, security officials said.

But police said they do not doubt that the man is who Japanese

authorities say he is — a 42-year-old former assistant professor of French literature at Tokyo's Rikkyo University.

They said everything was being done to expedite his deportation but that there were legal and civil requirements that might take more time. "The deportation may take place later tonight but Monday is more probable," a Justice Ministry official said.

In Tokyo, police said Takahashi had resigned his university position in 1970. He has no criminal record in Japan but he had been expelled from France in 1973 following the arrest of a Red Army group.

Police here refused to say whether the man was armed or how long he had been in Sweden.

Meanwhile police in southeast France on Friday reported finding a car loaded with official files on Carlos — as the Venezuelan-born international terrorist Ilich Ramirez Sanchez is known. The car was damaged in an accident and when police approached the scene the driver ran away. Searching the car, police found Interpol and other official files on Carlos.

Rebels capture Keren, Eritrea's third city

BRUSSELS (AP). — Eritrean rebels coordinated mortar fire and infantry assaults to take the fortress city of Keren from its 4,000-man Ethiopian garrison while keeping the Ethiopian air force at bay with anti-aircraft fire, the Belgian newspaper "Le Soir" reported last week.

"Le Soir's" account supported a report from the Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF) that its forces had taken 1,500 Ethiopian soldiers prisoner at Keren.

Keren, 70km. northwest of the Eritrean capital of Asmara, is Eritrea's third largest city and the centre of a rich farming province.

A spokesman for the rebels said on Thursday in Rome that 2,600 Ethiopians were killed in the siege that led to Keren's fall on July 8. But in "Le Soir's" story, published Thursday, the paper reported 2,000 Ethiopian casualties and said 500 escaped. There have been no reports on rebel casualties.

An estimated 30,000 guerrillas of

the Marxist EPLF and another rebel organization, the Eritrean Liberation Front, are fighting for independence for Eritrea, Ethiopia's northernmost province on the Red Sea.

Ethiopia's troop strength in the province, a former Italian colony which was absorbed by Ethiopia in 1962, has been estimated as roughly equivalent to the Eritrean armed presence.

"Le Soir" said Keren fell after 77 hours of fighting that left houses in ruins, walls pockmarked with bullets and corpses strewn in the streets. The reporter said he saw trucks loaded with dead Ethiopian soldiers driven towards a mass grave at the city cemetery.

EPLF spokesmen claim Asmara is their next goal, but the spokesman in Rome said Thursday he could not confirm a report from Sudan's official news agency that an attack on Asmara had already begun.

New pact links Communists with Italian government

ROME (Reuter). — Italy's Christian Democratic minority government, long considered one of the country's weakest post-war administrations, has emerged much strengthened from a six-party legislative pact passed by parliament on Friday.

The pact links the country's powerful Communist Party with the government for the first time since 1947 and will provide Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti with a broad parliamentary majority in tackling Italy's most pressing problems.

It also boosted his government's prestige abroad by giving it the political stability lacking since Andreotti took office in August last year without a parliamentary majority.

The prime minister will go to Paris next week for talks with President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing. He will meet President Carter in Washington the week after.

"From today, we feel stronger," the prime minister told the Chamber of Deputies (lower house) when summing up a four-day debate on the pact.

The pact covers legislation — yet to be worked out — on combating a growing law and order crisis, a economic measure to fight inflation and increase productivity, educational reforms and the transfer of some central power to regional governments.

All sides agreed that the pact was

no more than a compromise and the prime minister made clear that it did not amount to a fusion of the parties but a "responsible response to our enormous problems."

For the Communists, who made large gains after the general elections in June last year, the agreement constitutes another important step towards their long-term aim of sharing power with the Christian Democrats.

Den Uyl fails to form gov't

THE HAGUE (UPI). — Caretaker Premier Joop Den Uyl announced on Friday the failure of his seven-week attempt to form a leftist-centrist coalition government. Observers predict a hot summer lies ahead politically.

Den Uyl, 57, prime minister from May 1973 to March 1977, whose Labour Party was the overall winner in May 23 general elections, had approached the leftist "Democrats 66" party and the Christian Democratic Appeal party to form a coalition government.

The coalition would have represented 110 of the 150-seat lower house of Parliament.

THIS WEEK at the TEL AVIV MUSEUM

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SHABBATARBUT
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There are still openings in courses for children, high-school students and adults. Registration and details in Youth Wing office, Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs. 10 a.m. — 12 noon, 4-7 p.m.

CATRO (Reuters).—This week the Egyptian people celebrate the 25th anniversary of a revolution which gave them back a sense of dignity and national pride after five millennia of subjugation to foreign rule.

It was a revolution forged by the vision and drive of one man — Gamal Abdul Nasser — who on a crucial day in 1952, toppled a corrupt and ineffectual monarchy and military dictatorship.

In his lifetime Nasser was virtually deified by his people, and by millions of other Arabs. Inevitably since his death in 1970 at the age of 52, his enemies have turned on him and shown that the idol of the Arabs had feet of clay.

But, for all his flaws, Nasser was a crucial figure in twentieth-century history and, despite the efforts of the revisionists, he is still revered by many Egyptians.

The virtually bloodless military coup led on July 23, 1952, toppled a throne occupied by a family of rapacious Albanian adventurers and launched republican Egypt on a heady course as standard-bearer of Arab nationalism.

When Nasser died of a heart attack 18 years later his ambitions to unite the Arab world had proved illusory — his last act had been to preside over a summit meeting to end the war between Jordan's King and the Palestinian Liberation Organization.

Economically much of what he had hoped for in the heady days of 1952 to raise Egypt from squalor and poverty still remained to be done.

By GWYNNE ROBERTS
TASSELN, Eritrea. — In a thatched hut deep inside the arid Eritrean lowlands hangs a tattered poster of Cuban leader Fidel Castro preaching revolution to the masses.

The placard is an essential part of the sparse furnishings to the Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF) offices, who use the hut as an office, and to sleep off the torrid heat of the mid-day sun.

In Eritrea, Castro is, ironically, still a great hero to many young ELF members fighting for independence despite the sudden switch of Cuban support to the "enemy" in Addis Ababa. A number of ELF commanders trained in Cuba in the sixties and returned full of enthusiasm about their Cuban experience.

In 1968, Castro called the Eritrean cause a "progressive revolution" much to the delight of the Arab-oriented ELF leadership.

The ELF, however, has a different view of the situation. The abrupt changes of allegiances in the Horn of Africa are a political reality many ELF fighters now find hard to come to terms with.

The Ethiopian army, apparently supported by foreign advisers, possibly Cubans, seems poised for a mighty thrust into the heartland of Eritrea.

A strong government force has already swept through Gonder province, formerly the preserve of the right-wing Ethiopian Democratic Union (EDU). This movement's declared objective was to unseat the revolutionary military council in Addis but there now seems little hope of them achieving that.

The EDU guerrilla force appears to have crumbled in the face of a concerted onslaught from large numbers of Ethiopian tanks, armoured cars and a joint force of armed peasants and army troops.

The Ethiopians have retaken the frontier town of Humera and EDU units, which captured it earlier this year, escaped to the Sudan.

The Ethiopians appear to have fought with unaccustomed vigour after being widely derided as a demoralized force — even though the EDU was never recognized in Eritrea as a guerrilla movement.

likely to present any serious opposition to a determined army. They were criticised here as a badly organized and equipped movement which lacked any motivating ideology. The ELF chairman

Egyptians not sure what to celebrate

Nasser's rise or his fall?

By PETER KAYSEN



Nasser left Egypt almost at the mercy of Moscow, with crippling military and other debts totalling several billion dollars.

Some achievements were nevertheless undeniable. Even in the darkest hour under Nasser, like the shattering defeat of 1967 at the hands of the Israelis, every Egyptian felt that he could hold his head high.

No longer could a foreigner clap his hands in an exclusive club and have a servile Egyptian rush to do his bidding.

Land was in the hands of the peasants who from time immemorial had worked as little more than beasts of burden for the landlords who monopolized the fertile Nile Valley.

The working day was limited to seven hours. Pensions were guaranteed. Education was vastly expanded. Housing estates mushroomed on the edge of the desert.

But Nasser, suspicious and incapable of delegating authority, left Egypt with no real political system, to reflect the wishes of the people. Like parliament, the Arab Socialist Union, which was supposed to represent the national will, remained very much a rubber stamp.

The country was hied white to pay the cost of the two unsuccessful wars he fought with Israel and Egypt's prolonged and costly military commitment on the republican side in the Yemeni civil war.

And yet, for all that, Nasser's Egypt was a force to be reckoned with in the world. The President led the Arab world's fight to steer clear of Western domination, but lost it to the Soviets.

His aid for the Algerian rebels played its part in De Gaulle's rise to power in France where he did what

Nasser did for Egypt — give a nation back its self-respect.

Nasser's heritage to Egypt is difficult to assess in detail. The picture is blurred by the unofficial policy of "denasserialism", and the criticism of his policies in which his successor, President Anwar Sadat, has sometimes joined.

In his seven years of power Sadat, one of Nasser's original revolutionary group of "Free Officers", has lifted Egypt from the humiliation of the 1967 war. He fought a campaign against Israel in 1973, which, although partially successful, transformed Egyptian morale, secured the reopening of the Suez Canal and the recovery of a strip east of the waterway including oilfields.

He ordered the thousands of Soviet military advisers out of Egypt in 1972, tore up a treaty of friendship with the Kremlin three years later and opened the door again to the West — and above all to the United States — both politically and economically.

Two men could not be more different than Nasser, the idealist, and Sadat, the pragmatist. But it was the pragmatist who freed the thousands of political prisoners whom the idealist had consigned to jail and who ended the massive

telephone tapping operations of the 1960s.

Sadat cracked down on Egyptian politicians like Vice-President Ali Sabri, who opposed the breach with Moscow and wooed instead the conservative Arab governments like that of Saudi Arabia, whose oil money in combination with Egypt's manpower and military potential make a potent weapon.

As yet Sadat's switch from the socialist doctrines of Nasserism with its stifling bureaucracy to a mixed economy, and the courting of foreign investment, have failed to achieve a breakthrough to better times for the mass of Egyptians.

Although businessmen flourish as never before, inflation has hit the population hard. When the government tried to cut subsidies on basic foodstuffs last January there were bloody riots in which 80 people died.

Politically he has virtually dismantled Nasser's Arab Socialist Union and created in its place three parties representing left, right, and centre. Members of parliament do not hesitate to criticize the government. But a tight rein is kept on political opposition, particularly from the left.

But Sadat's chances of building a prosperous Egypt upon the foundations laid by Nasser rest almost exclusively on the establishment of an enduring Middle East peace which seems as elusive as ever.

Unlike Nasser, Sadat believes that he is not the master of his own fate. On the Middle East question, as he is fond of saying, Washington holds 99 per cent of the cards.

Shiloah Institute experts

Arabs coaxing U.S. into M.E. 'Vietnam'

By SHAYLA SHAPIRO

Peace — if it comes to the Middle East — will only last as long as the Arabs believe the U.S. is willing and able to maintain it by force.

This is one of the observations made by Shiloah Institute political scientists at a seminar on Arab attitudes toward Israel's frontiers held at Tel Aviv University last week.

All Arab pronouncements on the subject can in fact be summarized as "No Israel, in any form, within any boundaries," the Middle East experts maintained. But only the Palestine Liberation Organization spokesmen express the stand openly.

In one case the PLO did assume a less radical attitude. It was couched in vague terms by Dr. Issam Sartawi, then public relations officer of the PLO, in a letter to Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky early this year.

The text, published in February by the Austrian Labour Party's *Arbeiterzeitung*, indicated that the PLO might not reject the formation of an interim state on West Bank and Gaza territory, provided it include a 100-kilometre long strip of Israeli-held territory along the border with Egypt.

The letter was hailed as a proof that, at long last, "constructive moderates" in the PLO have the upper hand. Sartawi, some observers said, was offering "non-belligerency" between a state of Palestine and the State of Israel. However, he added that "for a full peace, other issues will have to be settled. The most important of these is Israel's acceptance and implementation of the right of Palestinian refugees to return to their original homes, if they wish to do so, or receive compensation if they freely choose."

Whether or not, this was a "moderate" statement, the PLO Council, meeting only a month afterwards, rejected the letter and the "Palestinian Covenant," in which the second clause claims for the Palestinians the entire area of the British Mandate.

Obviously the Shiloah analysts said, the Sartawi letter was simply a trial balloon, to be discarded after it created the desired effect among the credulous Europeans.

If the PLO used such "diplomacy" on one occasion, other Arab leaders show more consistent diplomatic subtlety. They not only keep in mind the Europeans and the Americans but also anticipate the responses of their fellow Arabs.

No Egyptian in office has ever indicated that Egypt would recognize the boundaries of the Palestinian state alongside Israel as final. But officials often request that the Gaza Strip be connected with the West Bank part of the Palestinian state by a "corridor" fully controlled by the Palestinians.

Egyptian aspirations go far beyond the 1947 partition plan and a

common frontier with a PLO state. On several occasions, the Egyptians have stressed their "need" to have a direct contact with the "Mashrek" — the Arab countries in Asia. The operational directive to the Egyptian Air Force on the eve of the 1967 war was to support a general offensive to take over the Southern Negev and occupy Eilat.

Referring to the text of the 242 Security Council resolution, Egypt's leaders often give the impression that they recognized Israel's need for "secure and recognized boundaries." However, this statement is always accompanied by the provision that only the PLO is entitled to decide which "rights of the Palestinians" mentioned in the same resolution should be fulfilled before Egypt recognizes Israel's borders.

Other Arab attitudes closely follow the Egyptian arguments. Syria's leaders are most firm in their belief that Arab Nationalism can never expect to compromise with Zionism, but, for the sake of "revolutionary realism," might accept temporary arrangements to improve Arab positions. Damascus is concerned lest Egypt make peace unilaterally with Israel.

With the exception of Jordan, all Arab leaders agree that Israel should be ostracized even after a pact guaranteeing her existence is signed. King Hussein declared that he would not mind maintaining "normal" relations with Israel after Israel renounces to the pre-1967 boundaries.

The Arabs invariably use the formula "accepted and recognized," whereas the Israelis insist on "secure and recognized" boundaries. The Arabs might accept a settlement on their own terms without a war if the U.S. pressures Israel for them. Then they might maintain the situation as long as they believe that the U.S. is serious about the frontiers — and is ready to intervene effectively and quickly against any encroachment.

This willingness on the part of the Americans would have to be demonstrated to the Arabs frequently, at the highest diplomatic level, to deter them from war. If, at some future date, the Arabs calculate that they have improved their military force considerably, that Israel is disintegrating internally, and that the U.S. will be slow in its police action — they are most likely to try to alter forces in the field in their favour as quickly as the world, and the U.S. in particular, will accept the new map without a murmur.

Kissinger said negotiations are important, but must be conducted without illusions. The Shiloah panel believes the Arabs are trying to manoeuvre the U.S. into the sort of commitment it had in Vietnam. The Arabs are sure that commitment is one which America would not be able to maintain in the long run.

The rebel band that grew into an army



witheringly described it recently as a "ratbag collection" of people.

But, ineffective as the EDU may have been, it served as a buffer force for the ELF. Now the Eritreans face perhaps the most serious threat to their aspirations towards nationhood in their sixteen year struggle.

For the Ethiopians, the Eritreans represent much more than a military opposition that the EDU. They possess heavy artillery and a guerrilla army which seems to have matured well over the past few years.

In 1975, they could only harass the Ethiopian army. Now they are in a position to lay siege to towns containing troops.

SOFTENED by seven years of good living in Sweden, Haile made a personal pilgrimage back to his homeland in Eritrea this summer — and found the readjustment to the battlefield a painful process.

In the late sixties, this 23-year-old student underwent specialised military training in China with other ELF fighters. Some of his comrades went to Cuba and returned equally elated with the experience. Many of them are now ELF military commanders of repute.

Conditions during the sixties inside Eritrea were harsh, and disease

finally put a stop to Haile's promising military career in the Eritrean rebel army. It forced him to retire from the conflict and go to Stockholm for treatment for bilharzia and its concomitant disease, cirrhosis of the liver. Haile is still being treated but the lure of Eritrea was strong despite his doctor's warning not to return.

I met him last month in this Eritrean border town near the Sudanese border. He wore a bright yellow sweat shirt emblazoned with the words: "Victory for Eritrea." He looked out of condition and paunchy but I learned later his distended stomach was caused by his ailment.

It was clear he wanted to return home permanently and ended his nomadic life. Haile had found it difficult to adapt to life "in the field." Diet was just one problem. The rebels live off sweetly sugared tea and dura, a pinky mash made from sorghum. In the base camps, this can be supplemented with boiled goat and occasional unleavened wheat bread. But the preparation is primitive and even the fighters used to years of hardship find food gives little pleasure.

In the Lowlands the ELF relies on water supplies from deep wells out in dried-out river beds which are replenished during the rainy season. These are well used by the nomads and their camels, goats and cattle and the water is often soiled by the animals.

Haile had fought in the sixties at a time when conditions were much worse. Villagers were suspicious and often unwilling to provide food. The

Ethiopian army exerted much more control and its net of informants was widespread. The rebels were constantly on the move and occasionally went for days without eating. There were no medical facilities. Even nowadays, the ELF is woefully short of drugs and has just one hospital which is scarcely equipped.

Six Iraqi and one Eritrean doctor provide for an area inhabited by well over a million people and cater to the medical needs of a force estimated to number more than 15,000 men. The rival Eritrean Popular Liberation Front (EPLF) based in the Highlands and around the Red Sea coast is much better equipped. They are reported to have four hospitals and 15 highly qualified Eritrean doctors.

The ordinary fighter suffers these hardships "for the sake of the revolution" and complains little. For Haile, however, the risks are doubled with his medical record. But the pull of Eritrean nationalism is so strong, he is clearly determined to take the chance.

HUNDREDS of Ethiopian soldiers held captive at an Eritrean prisoner-of-war camp in Mogoraybe fear they may never return home because their government has branded them "traitors."

More than 1,000 troops — two per cent of the Ethiopian army — are now reportedly prisoners of the two main Eritrean rebel movements which claim Addis Ababa is in effect disowning its captured soldiers. Most of them were imprisoned during the past six months as the rebels began to overrun outlying army garrisons and former Government-held towns. The Eritreans say the men were prompt

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DANCE

Haifa's Piccolo Ballet: Hard-working but raw

By JOAN CARR

THE Haifa Piccolo Ballet struggled gamely towards their goal, at the Jerusalem Theatre last Tuesday evening. Although a young, inexperienced team of dancers, lacking the opportunity to rise gradually through minor positions with better groups, they seemed determined to enter the professional leagues by direct assault. In the sport of ballet, the competition doesn't appear on stage, except in the memories and expectations of spectators; and while performances can please or disappoint, there are no definitive rules for acceptance in the dance scene.

Coach Lita Schubert has chosen an ambitious strategy, in presenting these hard-working, well-trained — but raw — recruits, as though they were full-fledged professionals. For this viewer, the resulting game held some pleasures, but these were mixed with apprehension and embarrassment at awkward manoeuvres.

A quartet kicked off the programme with an abstract étude, competently arranged by Lita Schubert in the Balanchine manner, to music by Benjamin Britten. Sari Becker, star player, tossed off her part quite neatly. Liora Axelrod stayed close behind in spirit, but at

times her leg work was muddy. Janos Franyo and Hagai Dolev managed well in elevation and distance steps, but Franyo's partnering was uncertain and stiff and Dolev's pirouettes always ended in disaster.

The next play was a danced impression of Israel's men and women in daily life, to a score by Noam Sheriff. Vignettes of soldiers on army duty; a woman at the cradle; a couple tenderly united; waiting women, both playful and supportive of each other; all were choreographed by Schubert in a sentimental style. The piece did not succeed in capturing the local atmosphere, which crowded too close outside the theatre to be ignored; nor did the composition justify itself through any special dance merit.

The final piece, "The Hoopoe," has been in the Haifa company's repertoire for a while. The team seemed on home ground with this conventionally suitable treatment of a Biblical tale about captured birds and a compassionate King Solomon. If at times the ensemble was a little ragged, soloists Becker, Franyo and Dolev went through their paces with spirit, and Asaf Ben-Zeev made a creditable, dignified Solomon.

Only time will prove Schubert right or wrong in choosing this method for launching a winning ballet team.

DANCE NEWS/Dora Sowden

EVERY TUESDAY at the Rubin Academy in Jerusalem folk dance teachers gather from all over the country. They come from Ramle, Ness Zinna, Tiberias, Moabav Timorim, kibbutzim Regavim and Mahanayim, Tel Aviv and Jerusalem.

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Flying in the dark

EL AL'S FINANCIAL statement for 1976, published last Wednesday, is as inscrutable as only a report of a company of its size can be. In a privately-owned corporation, the management is, at least in theory, accountable to the shareholders and, in the long run, an additional check is provided by the stock exchange. In the case of a state-owned corporation, a more lucid and revealing statement is required. For even assuming that the government officials who make up the national airline's board of directors have the time, expertise and motivation to dig beneath the surface of the company's statement, the general public, who are El Al's real stockholders, have a right to know more than has been disclosed.

El Al reports a net profit of \$280,000 in 1976, on a turnover of \$257m. and total assets of \$226m., excluding subsidiaries. The company has continued to expand and plans further growth, financing this mostly, as in the past, from internal sources.

This raises several issues. If the company's profits are indeed as negligible as shown, and as they have been in the past, the question arises what sense there is in investing vast additional amounts in what can be understood from the financial statement to be a white elephant. The argument that El Al is doing as well, and possibly even better, than other airlines throughout the world, is irrelevant. It can also be argued that Israel needs a national airline of a certain size against emergencies. But if that size has not yet been attained the public is entitled to know what the limit is. If the present size of El Al already covers the nation's emergency requirements, and expansion goes only on bringing more tourists, then surely it is better to have other countries' airlines carry them here at a loss, than to do it ourselves with an investment of many millions of dollars.

If, on the other hand, El Al's real profits are in fact much larger than is shown in its financial statement — and there are substantial grounds for suspecting that this is so — the public is equally entitled to be presented with a frank and full statement of the real situation. If the company is a gold mine, the allocation of its profits cannot be left to the exclusive discretion of the management, nor to the decision of a board of directors composed of officials. It may very well be that a full disclosure, detailed enough to lend itself to public debate and to parliamentary control, would lead to policy conclusions other than those upheld by the company's management — for example with respect to cargo rates and to charter flights.

A publicly-owned corporation may be directed to operate autonomously, like any market-oriented enterprise. It may also be directed not to maximize its profits but rather adopt other goals, such as, in the present case, maximizing the inflow of tourists. What it should not be allowed to do is obscure the true state of its operations from the public eye. Nor should it be allowed to act as a powerful pressure group.

But the fault lies not so much on El Al itself, as on its owners — the government. The company's statement incidentally reveals the irrationality of the existing exchange rate system, under which El Al (like the merchant fleet) does not receive export incentives. This is probably due not to economic reasoning, but to nothing more than the usual bookkeeping considerations which have characterized many government decisions. Export incentives are a substitute for a lower exchange rate. There can be little doubt that El Al, like other exporters, could earn more dollars were it given more pounds for the dollar — for example, by reducing the load factor or going after operations which, with the exchange rate it now gets, are unprofitable.

At a time when the government is desperately trying to restrict domestic output, willing to give up potential output of IL30 and more for every dollar saved, there is no justification for forgoing potential export earnings which can be obtained at a much lower price.

NOT SINCE the Nixon years has there been an Imperial President in the White House. On the surface, Jimmy Carter acts like a populist and a democrat; but, in fact, there is an emperor in Washington. In a range of complex domestic and foreign issues, the President's role is only enhanced. But in Carter's case, the paternalistic presidential model has been re-established. To begin with, no senior or important Democrat — or, for that matter, Republican — is to be found either in the Cabinet, or in the White House staff or among the President's advisers.

Carter's cabinet is meritocratic and totally dependent on him. No cabinet member represents an outside political or economic power. Carter has demonstrated that his Presidency will not be representative of the Democratic Party or any other pressure group.

The President's personal staff come from Georgia and the Georgian mafia surround him. Brzezinski, a recruit from David Rockefeller's tri-lateral commission, is his key foreign policy adviser and over-shadowed Secretary of State Cyrus Vance. Defence Secretary Brown contributes a little to the decision-making process on the Middle East.

The State Department's policy planning unit, headed by Anthony Lake, is not significant. Under Secretary Philip Habib and Assistant Secretary Roy Atherton, however, are making considerable contributions, as is the CIA, to Middle East policy. But Brzezinski is the only formulator of policy, and Professor William Quandt is his chief Middle East aide (it was Quandt who led the pro-Arab group in the writing of the Brookings Report).

BRZEZINSKI, one of America's leading Sovietologists, is a brilliant analyst and thinker. Although he lacks Kissinger's sensitivity and scepticism, he nevertheless is an honest and forthright person, which Kissinger was not. His influence on the President is considerable, but it does not rival Kissinger's on Nixon, at least not yet. Brzezinski's judgements on people and events are not as sharp, in my view, as Kissinger's were. Nor is he trying to manipulate and deceive people as the latter did.

Although the President is his own master and sometimes seeks advice outside the White House, he is highly dependent on Brzezinski; and when it comes to the Middle East, the professor's influence is decisive. He was behind the President's Palestinian homeland formula.

A CONVERSATION WITH BRZEZINSKI

At the request of Prime Minister Begin, AMOS PEBLMUTTER, who is professor of political science at American University in Washington, undertook to probe U.S. Middle East policy by talking to the President's chief national security adviser, and the former Columbia political science professor, Zbigniew Brzezinski.



Brzezinski and, below, his chief Middle East aide, William Quandt.



withdrawal concept, and other concepts. He certainly inspired, directed and dictated the recent statements by the Vice President and the State Department.

When Prime Minister Menachem Begin asked me about the decision-making process in the White House, I volunteered to see Brzezinski. We have known each other for some time and I admire him considerably. We have met on several occasions since he took office and he has always been open, honest, and stimulating. I spent over an hour with him on June 30, and attempted to discover his and the President's views on the reasons for the rather strained relations between Jerusalem and Washington.

I obviously cannot disclose here Brzezinski's private message to Mr. Begin. But I would like to describe the general framework of our conversation, and summarize my personal impressions.

Brzezinski told me that he personally is not very happy with the Jewish Congressional lobby. He thinks the lobby's recent efforts in support of the Begin Government were counter-productive. In fact, he made it clear that Carter's White House will not succumb to their type and style of pressure. Nor will the White House "surrender" to the Jewish Presidents' Conference. It seems to me from Rabbi Schindler's message to Begin that it was the rabbi who was exploited by the White House rather than vice versa. Also, the Jewish attempts to use Senators Mondale and Humphrey, in addition to the well-meaning and highly motivated strategy of Ambassador Diniz, were counter-productive in that they triggered the letter of the nine senators. Mondale's aspiration to become president, and Humphrey's hope of ending his illustrious career as the Democrats' Elder Statesman, should not lead us to expect that they will be able to influence the President, since they need him more than he needs them.

HOW DOES Brzezinski envision strategy for, and the process of, peace in the Middle East? We discussed, analyzed and argued

vigorously on three topics, the general postulates, Resolution 242, and the future of the Geneva Conference. Brzezinski's and the President's opening position with Begin will follow roughly the following scenario:

The three major items for negotiation are linked, the nexus being territories, the nature of peace and the Palestinians. And they are indivisible; in other words, the conceptual framework is nothing less than the above bundle.

Brzezinski reiterated again and again that the three items for negotiation are not to be considered separately but simultaneously.

Admitting his and the National Security Council's role in drafting the June 27 statement, he added that Begin's 20A speech and "Dayan's talk to his Foreign Ministry staff were unacceptable. I suspect that Brzezinski over-reacted to Dayan's words on Judea and Samaria. Brzezinski was firm in his view that the Palestinian issue could not and would not be evaded or deleted from the negotiating agenda, now or later. And that the Israeli team should come to Washington with some kind of answer, some definite proposals to mitigate the effects of the Begin-Dayan speeches.

THE PRESIDENT is clearly committed to the Palestinian homeland formula, with or without Jordan. There will be no compromise on the part of the Administration if Mr. Begin insists on his thesis concerning the Palestinians.

Nevertheless, Brzezinski believes there is a way out for all concerned. He said: Although Mr. Begin will insist on strict adherence to 242, the U.S. is not interpreting the resolution his way. Mr. Begin wishes to adhere strictly to 242 so that the Palestinians retain the status of refugees. But, as Mondale said, "Resolution 242 does not by itself provide all that is required." The State Department statement reiterated that "A standing point exists in United Nations Resolution 242," adding, "fortunately, we don't begin our efforts in a vacuum." Mr. Begin's strict interpretation of

242 is expected to become an instrument of his policy. However, Brzezinski asserted, Begin does not expect 242 to be a basis for settlement! The U.S. does. To my question — How can you go to Geneva if the gap between the parties is asymmetrical? — the answer was that there are two Genesas, one on a high level and the other on a low level. The lower one would be the ambassadorial level in Washington or some kind of working commission that deals simultaneously with the major components of the nexus mentioned earlier.

In other words, the Carter Administration means business. And behind the concepts and formulas there lurk the rather brutal reality and facts of contemporary international politics. So-called insoluble problems must be solved.

THEREFORE I maintain that however irrational or unreasonable Washington's attitude is perceived as in Jerusalem, it nevertheless represents a determined Administration that will take all sorts of risks which previously were not conceived of. The Begin team must be ready for a polite, ceremonious and friendly reception, overshadowed by rather hard and firm positions frankly expressed by the President and his National Security Adviser.

Brzezinski is essentially a realist. "Look," he said, "whether or not we have leverage over our Arab friends (and we actually have very little leverage), the Arabs will not accept Israeli-defined boundaries, nor an Israeli Palestinian solution." They certainly will not accept Begin's and Dayan's seemingly inflexible formula for the West Bank. "No territories, including the West Bank, are automatically excluded from the items to be negotiated." — this, in a nutshell, will be the Carter message to Begin.

So what would be a reasonable solution, in the absence of American leverage over the Arabs, in the face of uncompromising demands for Israeli withdrawal and the creation of a Palestinian state in exchange for nothing but vague promises? An American military guarantee for Israel. And the U.S. military commitment would entitle them to define the boundaries of Israel. "Security" in the Brzezinski lexicon means guaranteed borders. With this and the Palestinian issue the new Government of Israel will have to contend in Washington, and in the months to come.

This is the second of two articles. The first appeared on Friday.

READERS' LETTERS

Exam cheating and an 'unrealistic system'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir — There is a positive aspect to the leak and sale of matriculation papers, namely that if examinations are prepared to pay as much as IL500, for a single paper, that must mean that there are schools where cheating is not allowed.

If I may generalize from my own experience as an invigilator (twice was enough for me) and from what I hear from colleagues and pupils, organized cheating with the connivance of teachers and invigilators is common practice at Bogenr examinations — a very large number of schools. This is a much more serious thing than the leaks which captured the headlines. It is also much more difficult to cope with, since it is so widespread and has come to be looked upon as perfectly normal.

One reason for the tolerance of cheating is that many teachers feel that the demands of our educational system are unrealistic, quantitatively if not qualitatively. If reducing the demands could put an end to the cheating, or at least minimize it, it should be tried. Or perhaps the Bogenr examination should be scrapped.

I would be interested to know whether the Ministry of Education is giving its attention to the problem of

cheating, which has not only made a farce of the Bogenr examinations, but pollutes our whole educational system.

H. Sopher

Haifa.

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Sir — The current furor over the leaks of the matriculation examinations, which happens periodically, only reflects a system in which inordinate attention is placed on marks, often without qualitative evaluation of the student, which should also take into account past history and background. The result is a depersonalization of the student who is judged entirely and solely on the basis of marks, thus so strongly sought after, to the detriment of the educational process. The reason for this problem in Israel is not clear, but it is strange and paradoxical in view of the great significance placed on education in past Jewish history and the critical importance of education in Israel today.

The answer is no doubt very complex, but I suggest that it lies in the pressure to accomplish an ambitious curriculum, coupled with overzealous classes, the half-time teaching day, the semi-professional and part-time work of many teachers, the lack of

adequate teacher training, and the undisciplined and often chaotic daily state of many of the nation's schools. To this observer, the result seems that it is often very difficult for teaching staff, however well intentioned, to provide an objective evaluation of student capability and achievement. Hence, only the numerical values or marks are relied on by the school to provide a supposedly 'objective' assessment of students.

I do not want to criticize the teachers, most of whom are dedicated and conscientious, but I do submit that the examination leak furor reflects basic problems in our ponderous and resistant educational system which should be examined closely and attacked with vigour by the new government. In particular, a major and sustained effort should be made to improve teacher training, professional opportunities and advancement for teachers, and the conditions under which teachers and students cooperate in the educational process.

PROF. M. E. QUASTEL,
Chairman, Education Committee, AACI
(Beersheba Branch)
Beersheba.

FREE ELECTRICITY FOR EMPLOYEES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir — I refer to a recent article by Ya'acov Ardon in which he mentions that one of the major consumer groups wasting electricity is the Electric Company's own staff, both the employed and the retired. He adds that they all enjoy the use of electricity for which they make only token payment. As a consequence, many use an amount of current that the average householder would consider extravagant.

I believe that, when Mr. Pinhas Rutenberg, the founder of the Israeli Electric Corporation, granted his employee free use of electricity, he did not envisage they would abuse this privilege by consuming unlimited quantities of current. However, at that time, the problem was not vital, as there was enough power available. I remember the days when Mrs. Erna Mayer advocated cooking on electricity in order to increase the sales of the corporation.

However, today, the rule is economy, especially as far as power consumption is concerned. I therefore believe that those consumers entitled to free electricity should only receive the amount which corresponds to the normal consumption of the general public. This amount could be calculated on

the basis of rooms and appliances. Electricity consumed in excess of that amount would have to be paid for at the rate we common people have to pay.

LUDWIG BORNSTEIN

Tel Aviv.

The Israel Electric Corporation replies:

Mr. Bornstein raises a problem which has been widely discussed. I will therefore not go into its details, but will simply point out that the Ministries of Finance and Commerce and Industry are dealing with the problem and looking for the best possible solution.

Obviously, the Management of the Corporation is also dealing with the subject together with representatives of the staff.

Before closing, I wish to reject the contention that corporation employees thoughtlessly squandered unlimited amounts of electricity. In cooperation with staff representatives, the Management regularly checks the amounts of electricity used by its employees on a private basis and takes appropriate measures in the exceptional cases, which warrant it.

Y. KIDRON, Spokesman,
Israel Electric Corporation,
Haifa.

POSTSCRIPTS

IF EVERYTHING that self-styled "mystery man" Yosef G. told our man in Haifa on his arrival by ship from Greece earlier this month, is true, Prime Minister Begin has caused a ripple of change in the Knesset's attitude to Israel.

Yosef G. claims that he dined with President Brezhnev a month ago at the house of his friend Giliat, the Soviet leader's daughter. Brezhnev hinted broadly that the Soviet Union was now interested in restoring diplomatic relations with Israel and asked G. to tell him all he knew about Menachem Begin.

"I think it'll be easier to get on with Begin than with your kolchosniks" (the Labour Party kibbutzniks), Brezhnev allegedly commented.

G. added that the Russians seemed to be worried that the Chinese might establish relations with Israel before they had restored the broken ties. G. said he had also been in China where Hua Kuo Feng had also hinted at relations with Israel. Neither, according to G., were motivated as much by love of Israel as by mutual hate and a common desire to weaken the American position in the area.

G., who will return to Moscow after two months here, will recommend to the Begin government that it respond favourably to Soviet feelers as this would give Israel a stronger bargaining position at Geneva.

Y.F.

A FREE-LANCE journalist living in Jerusalem has sent us a true story about Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan.

A few years ago the journalist was living in Thailand and took a taxi in Bangkok one day. The driver, with whom he was conversing in broken Thai and broken English, asked him his religion.

"Pom mee joshahnah yew," he replied. Although yew is Thai for Jew, there are not many Jews in Thailand and the taxi driver didn't recognize the word.

"What is yew?" he asked.

"Their country is Israel," said the journalist in Thai.

"Ah," replied the driver with a big smile. He put his hand over one eye and said in English: "Number One General."

S.W.

BRITISH journalist and entertainer Peter Cook referred in a recent column in the London "Daily Mail" on the way TV's David Frost had addressed terrorist chief Yasser Arafat during an interview.

Cook wrote: "I was horrified to see the Frostie addressing the well-known murderer, Yasser Arafat, as 'Mr. Chairman.' David would have no hesitation about calling President Carter 'Jimmy,' but I suppose murderers and crooks warrant more deference than lesser mortals."

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ISRAEL AND COMMUNISM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir — In recent months, there has been a definite deterioration in official U.S.-Israeli relations. The Israeli lobby is trying to reverse this trend by pressuring the Carter administration through its friends in Congress.

Another potential, but so far untapped source of support is the conservative non-Jewish community in America's western states. These virulent anti-communist Americans will rally to Israel's side if Mr. Begin and his representatives attempt to garner their support by stressing the PLO's close ties with

Moscow and Cuba, and Israel's total commitment to democratic ideals. With the American Jewish community solidly behind Israel, the time is ripe for Israel's spokesmen to state their case before these Americans.

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